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Guergis & Jaffer. No charges



▶ MP Helena Guergis and her husband, former MP Rahim Jaffer are seen in a 2006 file photo.

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No action taken by the RCMP

While the Mounties announced yesterday they had found no evidence to warrant criminal charges against former cabinet minister Helena Guergis or her husband, Rahim Jaffer, it won't be enough to allow Guergis back into the Conservative fold, according to the Prime Minister's Office. Story, page 8.

Sweeping reform in U.S.

Obama signs into law new financial regulations {page 13}

Championship golf in Calgary?

Can city host Canadian Open? Stephen Ames says no {page 26}

Who gets a piece of the pie?

City facing $60-million shortfall for next year's operating budget ◐ Calgary Transit may have to cut at least 140,000 new service hours budgeted for 2011

The upcoming city budget is like a pie and everybody wants a piece — but according to a Calgary political scientist, there's not enough for everyone.

Calgarians are talking about city council's controversial decision to pre-approve the Calgary police budget but Mount Royal University political analyst Keith Brownsey says this is just normal, pre-election manoeuvring.

"This isn't new to the city; it's something you see at budget time because the budget is like a pie, and everybody wants some, but there is only so much pie to cut up accordingly," Brownsey said.

"The budget is very political — it's about putting rubber to the pavement."

Ward 9 Ald. Joe Ceci said while he doesn't have any indication yet, he believes there will be more city sectors coming to the table with requests; much like the Calgary Police Service and fire department, who brought their concerns forward yesterday.

Emergency services

- Fire department Chief Bruce Burrell is preparing for an $8.1-million budget cut next year.
- Burrell confirmed the fire department is scrapping a second unit planned for Saddleridge.
- The fire department will have 34 new graduates in July 2010.
- The 2011 fire department graduating class has been cancelled.
- Police officer levels have been approved, but the city has asked for administration cuts to the service.

"I've voiced my concerns about this before but I think this decision makes budget time for the next council very challenging," Ceci added.

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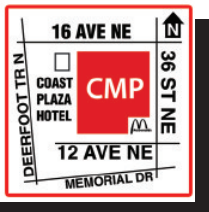
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Break-in targeted, police say

Police believe a home invasion in the city's northeast Tuesday night was a targeted attack.

Around 5 p.m., three suspects entered an unlocked home in the 600 block of Harvest Hills Drive NE and tied up the two residents. A woman was able to escape and call police, but the culprits left with an undisclosed amount of property.

All three offenders were wearing dark clothing and had their faces covered and police believe they were in their teens or early 20s. METRO CALGARY

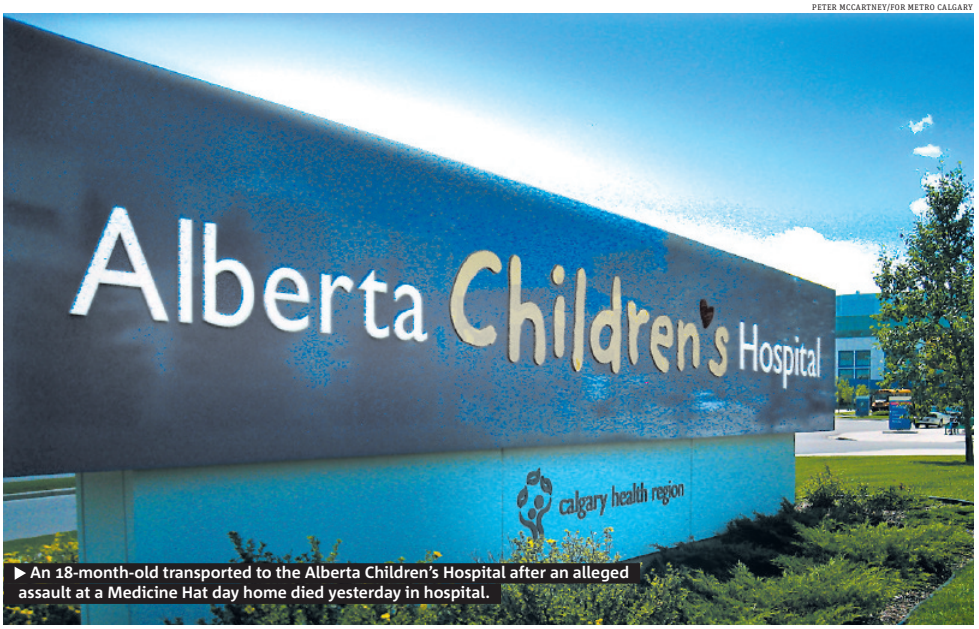
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The amount of the donation made by the Calgary Flames and the Flames Foundation for Life to the Calgary Centennial Arenas for the construction of an additional rink for the facility. Along with the donation, the rinks will be named the Flames Community Arenas.

Crown appeals killer mother's probation

Crown prosecutors have filed an appeal just days after a Calgary mother received a suspended sentence and probation for strangling her daughter in 2007. Crown prosecutor Goran Tomljanovic said the judge erred in principle in his application of case law when sentencing Aset Magomadoya, 40. METRO CALGARY

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▶ An 18-month-old transported to the Alberta Children's Hospital after an alleged assault at a Medicine Hat day home died yesterday in hospital.

Upgraded charges possible in death of toddler: Police

◗ Woman's name not released as charges have not been sworn before a judge ◗ Police say toxicology reports could take weeks or months

Police say charges against a caregiver could be upgraded depending on results from an autopsy on a toddler who was allegedly assaulted in a southern Alberta day home.

The 18-month-old girl died in hospital yesterday from head injuries. She had been taken by air ambulance to Alberta Children's Hospital in Calgary from Medicine Hat earlier this week.

A 23-year-old woman who was taking care of her at the private residence has been charged with aggravated assault and failing to provide the necessities of life.

Medicine Hat police anticipate those charges might be adjusted once the autopsy is complete, although Staff Sgt. Brent Secondiak says it will take a while to fully investigate what happened.

"There's lots of medical evidence we have to get from the medical examiner's office, from the hospital itself, witness statements to be taken, search warrants to be conducted on Alberta Health Services," Secondiak said. "It's just lots of statements and interviews that have to be done."

He said it's unknown how the girl sustained the fatal injuries and it's difficult to pull together the case because of trauma to her head. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Facilities

- There may have been other children in the home at the time, police said.
- The facility in question is licensed by the province.
- The province's children and youth services minister has said the death was "a very unusual circumstance" and there are few problems in Alberta's 2,800 provincially accredited day homes.

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Drunk driving charges during Stampede fall

People seemed to heed the message about not drinking and driving during this year's Calgary Stampede, according to the Calgary police traffic unit.

This year's 10-day Calgary Stampede netted fewer impaired driving charges throughout the city compared with the two years prior, traffic acting Insp. Greg Cooper said.

"I think people are getting the message and while we're happy with the lower numbers even one drunk driver on the road is too many," Cooper said.

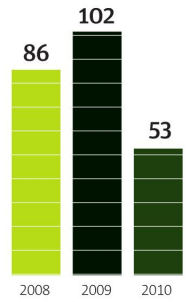
Cooper believes the lower numbers are also a reflection of a joint effort approach with Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD).

But he stressed the importance of year-round Check Stops, not just during events like the Calgary Stampede.

"We didn't do anything different; we're out there 365 days a year trying to catch impaired drivers and we're the only police force that is out there at all times."

10-day Stampede

Impaired driving charges in last three years



KRISTA SYLVESTER

SHOOTING

Killer beaver may be dead

Park officials and RCMP in central Alberta are concerned someone may have taken matters into their own hands by shooting and killing a beaver following reports last week that one of the rodents in the area had killed a dog.

Red Deer parks superintendent Trevor Poth said a dead beaver was discovered by a canoeist paddling in the Three Mile Bend recreation area this week — the same area where a beaver had been attacking dogs.



"The beaver had clearly been shot while in the park so we're just shocked and dismayed that someone would discharge a firearm within the city limits," Poth said.

A beaver had killed a Husky at an off-leash park in the area earlier this month. The beaver in question may have been attempting to protect its young.

Poth said there's no way to know whether the beaver that was shot and killed was the same one that killed the dog.

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Police link high speed to fatality

High speed was likely the cause of the vehicle rollover and subsequent death on Deerfoot Trail near McKenzie Lake early yesterday morning, said Duty Insp. Dave Wood.

Wood confirmed that the driver, in his mid-20s, died at the scene.

"Until we do bloodwork (at the autopsy), we won't know if alcohol was involved," he said.

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Colts seek jobs for '10 recruits

The Calgary Colts are looking for job placements for some of their football recruits during this year's 2010 Prairie Football Conference season. With training camps starting on Aug. 3, the players are beginning to arrive in Calgary, according to a release from the team.

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▶ OK, so we just used your garden-variety Pace Picante for the photo ... but doesn't it make you want to head to Sun and Salsa this weekend?

Some like it hot at Sun and Salsa

- Close to 100,000 expected to visit Kensington's street festival this Sunday
- A record 46 salsas will be entered into this year's tasting competition

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Vero Bistro makes good salsa, but will it make the best at this year's Sun and Salsa Festival?

Owner Jenny Chan hopes so.

Last year, thousands of Calgarians strolled Kensington Road and 10th St NW sampling salsas prepared by businesses participating in the salsa tasting contest. They voted the Italian-based Bistro's salsa as having the Most Creative Recipe and Best Presentation; the Best Tasting Salsa award went to Broken Plate.

"We're hoping to get all (the awards) this year," said Chan, who will make her Sexy Salsa with kitchen staff just hours before the competition begins Sunday at 11 a.m.

Last year, Chan made 96 litres of salsa but ran out by 1 p.m. This year, she'll prepare 160 litres to ensure everyone gets a taste.

Chan's cool and fresh recipe is all about colour, with bright hues from cantaloupe, honeydew melon, mango, and dragon fruit.

But the real secret to her great salsa?

"I cut everything fresh" she said.

The festival, on until 5 p.m., also features musicians, dancers, a Children's Carnival, and a strongman competition.

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- **Candidates compete** Four mayoral candidates—Burrows, Hehr, McIver, and Hawksworth—are involved in the competition and competing for the new Mayor's Campaign Salsa Trophy.
- **Salsa for Fido** Dogs are welcome! Watering stations will be available. One local business has even created a salsa for dogs to try, according to organizers.

Weekend's Fiestaval set to sizzle

Spicing up this weekend will be no problem for Calgarians who can head to Olympic Plaza for Fiestaval, the city's Latin festival, to enjoy some Latin food, music and dance.

With no pain on the pocketbook and sunshine in the forecast, visitors can spend Saturday and Sunday relaxing and enjoying Latin culture.

Eighty-five different vendors, 24 acts from western Canada and three international bands will provide plenty of stuff to do with something everyone can enjoy, and one mustn't forget the signature Latin cuisine.

"The food there is the most authentic and delicious Latin food you can find in Calgary," said spokesperson Christian Greiffenstein.

PETER MCCARTNEY

Youths' view of homeless world eye-opening

- Teens served lunch to more than 200 homeless people
- DemoCrew program in its 15th year in Calgary

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▶ Emmett Larsen, left, 16, from Cochrane was one of 20 youth serving sandwiches and floats at the Mustard Seed yesterday.

Several youth received a lesson in empathy this week as they participated in the Mustard Seed's DemoCrew program.

For three weeks every July, the inner-city immersion program hosts youth groups from around Canada and the United States for four days at a time.

"Our aim with this program is that they come here and they really have their eyes opened up," said Byron Bradley, leadership training and support manager for the Mustard Seed.

For Cochrane's Emmett Larsen, 16, the experience with DemoCrew has been an education. Along with serving lunch, Larsen said the group lived a day in the life of a homeless person on Tuesday.

"It showed me how much I really take for granted," he said, adding he felt ignored by many passersby.

Larsen said his first year with DemoCrew has been "really cool," and he plans to come back next year.

"They leave with a whole new worldview," said Bradley.





CONTEST

Local vies for sports TV caster

She's in it to win it.

As one of only two female finalists on The Score's sports caster reality TV competition Gillette Drafted 2, Calgarian Kacie Hollins is ready to battle it out for a one-year contract with Score Media and Gillette.



"I'm having a blast. I want to win because I would get the best of both worlds with journalism and sports," Hollins said from Toronto where she was filming last week.

"I really just want to get into sports broadcasting and I'm sure you will see me there somewhere."

KRISTA SYLVESTER

Board rewards cuts: Grits

The Alberta Liberals say the Workers' Compensation Board gives bonuses to staff who cut injured workers benefits.

Labour critic Hugh MacDonald says he has letters from the board's CEO that congratulate employees for controlling claims costs.

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Search still on for man in river

The search continues for a 20-year-old man swept away by the North Saskatchewan River at the Big Horn Dam Tuesday, according to RCMP.

His friend, who had attempted a rescue, was also caught in the current. He was later rescued by helicopter, RCMP said.

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Plenty left behind after the Stampede

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▶ Who's missing this pair of boots and their hat? Visit Jo-Anne for Calgary Stampede lost and found.

Cellphones, bag of bras, breast implants among found items



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Stampede may be over, but every year hundreds of lost items are left in its wake, some of them more unusual than others.

For the last six or seven years, Jo-Anne of Stampede's lost and found has seen items come and go.

"The phone has been just plugged solid with voice mails," she said as she stood in front of the jam-packed closet of items.

Along with the more commonly misplaced things like cellphones, keys, sunglasses and of course cowboy hats, Jo-Anne said there are some bizarre items as well.

"I'd have to say the silicon breast implants were the craziest," said Jo-Anne, "(and) almost every year we get half or a full set of false teeth."

This year, some of the strangest objects include two purple flower vases and a cake pan complete with two steak knives.

Jo-Anne said the best part of her job is putting the puzzle pieces together and reuniting Stampede-goers with their things.

Lost and found

Oddities left over:

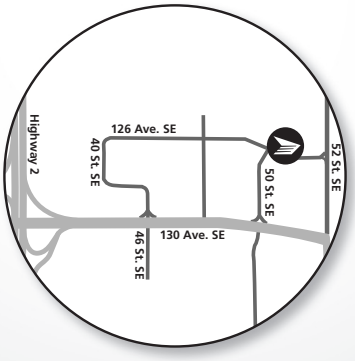
- **Huh?** One year a bag of bras from the Coke Stage came in, many of which had phone numbers written on them, said Jo-Anne.
- **What?** When people say they've been to Nashville North, Jo-Anne said she immediately asks, "What did you lose?"

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News in brief



Police on hunt after 7-11 heist

CRIME. Police are looking for a man who allegedly robbed a southeast 7-11. On July 9, around 1:30 a.m. he entered the store, threatened the clerk with a weapon and demanded cash, police say.

He is described as being Caucasian or Aboriginal between the ages of 25 and 30, and was wearing a t-shirt over his face.

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Woman, found floating, dies

MYSTERY. The RCMP is investigating after a 43-year-old woman who was found floating in face down in Ghost Lake two days ago died in a Calgary hospital yesterday morning.

The woman was placed on life support at Foothills Hospital but died of her injuries. Cochrane RCMP is looking for anyone with information.

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How to get dinosaurs in your pockets

COINS. To commemorate the Royal Tyrrell Museum's 25th anniversary, a dinosaur collector-coin was released yesterday.

The 50-cent brass-plated coin features an Albertosaurus — a cousin of the T-Rex — first discovered in Alberta.

The coins can be purchased at the museum's gift shop and on the Royal Canadian Mint website for $24.95.

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Does council need a bit of feng shui?

Small changes "could ensure that all who enter there are comfortable and feel represented": Expert

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▶ Slapping a little colour on council's walls might foster co-operation and innovation, says a feng shui expert.

Could a better colour palette make for a better city?

With city hall's council chamber accessibility renovations underway, Metro asked a feng shui expert: If further renovations could be undertaken, what could help foster a more nurturing, innovative and co-operative environment?

"Because this room brings together divergent opinions and ideas, the best colour scheme would be one that represents all five elements — water, wood, fire, metal and earth," said Mia Staysko of White Lotus Interiors.

"This would encourage policy makers to seek equilibrium and balance."

Currently, the chamber is mainly metallic with white and grays.

"When metal is out of balance, it can be cold and contracting, seeking perfection rather than compromise," she said. "Not ideal for government."

Polarizing issues have plagued city hall this term — the Peace Bridge, Memorial Drive closure, the auditor's office and most recently, the police budget.

For more stability, Staysko suggests adding earth tones: the use of greens or even better, actual wood or plants.

"This would encourage growth and momentum in decision making," she said.

A little black, representing water, would bring wisdom; a splash of red, for fire, could add enthusiasm.

Collectively, these changes would cultivate a more flexible, creative space, Staysko explained.

Feng shui

- **What is it?** An ancient art and science for creating balance in people's lives.
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Statistics chief resigns

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Throughout the day, rumours had been brewing that long-time bureaucrat Munir Sheikh was preparing to resign.

Finally, in the early evening, Sheikh posted a news release on the Statistics Canada website. The 62-year-old career bureaucrat made it clear that he could not defend the government's directive to take the 30-year-old long-form census to a voluntary survey in 2011. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Black freed on $2M bail

Bond posted by friend, financier Roger Hertog ◆ Former media baron denied request to visit Canada ◆ Still facing civil suits, IRS problems

Conrad Black, liberated but confined to the continental United States, will leave his Florida mansion for a courtroom in Chicago, where the same judge who sent him to jail will outline Friday the conditions of his first taste of freedom in more than two years.

Judge Amy St. Eve set Black free on a $2 million US bond yesterday and gave the one-time Canadian media baron 48 hours to return to the city where he was convicted in 2007 on charges of fraud and obstruction of justice.

Within hours of the hearing, Black was released from prison in Coleman, Fla., evading an assembled media horde through a back exit. Hours later, a black SUV entered the driveway of Black's mansion in Palm Beach, running a gauntlet of photographers. It's there, at the Palm Beach estate that the Canadian-born Black is expected to spend the next day or so.

Black is no longer the sole owner of the $32-million US mansion, though he retains an interest in the property.

The appeal court justices left it to the lower court to decide whether the conviction should be overturned. That decision has yet to be made. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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▶ Conrad Black's attorney, Miguel Estrada, whistles for a taxi outside the federal courthouse in Chicago yesterday.



"A little like going back to boarding school, which I somewhat enjoyed nearly 50 years ago."
CONRAD BLACK, ON WHAT PRISON IS LIKE

Sentenced

Black had been behind bars for more than two years after being convicted of defrauding Hollinger of more than $6 million.

Appeal This week, the U.S. Court of Appeals granted Black's motion for bail following a Supreme Court ruling that narrowed the scope of the law that was central to his conviction.

Black quiet for a reason

Jacob Frenkel, a former U.S. federal prosecutor, says there's probably a reason Conrad Black left jail so quietly. — to show maximum deference to the court. "One thing the judge is concerned about is that Conrad Black not turn this into a circus," said Frenkel. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

RCMP clears Guergis, Jaffer

The RCMP has found no evidence to warrant criminal charges against former cabinet minister Helena Guergis or her husband, Rahim Jaffer — but the news yesterday wasn't enough to win her re-entry into the Conservative fold.

Guergis was pushed from cabinet, caucus and ultimately the Tory nomination in her Ontario riding over allegations she had used her position to further the private business interests of Jaffer.

Guergis' lawyer, Howard Rubel, said he received a call from an RCMP commercial crimes investigator, Insp. John Kueper, yesterday morning saying the force "had found nothing of substance, there turned out to be nothing worth looking into."

The Prime Minister's Office was unswayed by the RCMP's judgment, however, and said Guergis would not be allowed back into caucus. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Tory MP won't run again

LEAVING. Jay Hill, a longtime Tory MP and the current government House leader, says he will not seek re-election. The 57-year-old Hill, 57, said that he's leaving while things are going well. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Listeria warning issued

DATS DELI. The Canadian Food Inspection Agency warns some sliced meat products from Dats Deli may be contaminated with Listeria. The meats carry best-before dates up to and including August 10, 2010. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Race, politics and jobs — a volatile combo

- Edited video caused uproar, elicited condemnation
- USDA employee pressured to resign by superiors

The Obama administration was scrambling yesterday to defuse a new racial furor, this one stemming from a video posted by a conservative website.

The administration dismissed a black U.S. Agriculture Department official after video excerpts were posted in which she appeared to acknowledge using race as a reason for not giving a white farmer as much help as she could have 24 years ago when she worked for a private organization.

But the full video indicated those remarks were taken out of context and led to fresh calls for the reinstatement of the employee, Shirley Sherrod.

Sherrod said her remarks were part of a larger story about learning from her mistakes and racial reconciliation, not racism. She said they were taken out of context by bloggers who posted only part of her speech.

The incident is the latest in a series of race-related issues that have garnered national attention since Obama took office as America's first black president.

Sherrod's dismissal has been the talk of cable news shows and has been debated on liberal and conservative blogs. The Rev. Jesse Jackson, a prominent civil rights leader, called on the administration yesterday to apologize for Sherrod's treatment.

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Hurtful words

The Republican mayor of a New York village has resigned after he was secretly recorded using a racial slur that mocked President Barack Obama's campaign slogan. Mark Nadeau, who is white, told a meeting filled with protesters Tuesday night that he's not a racist and he was stepping down as Cobleskill mayor because the controversy was hurting his family.

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- High winds could carry oil booms in wetlands
- Evacuating ships could delay work up to two weeks

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▶ Retired U.S. Coast Guard Adm. Thad Allen.

Tropical rainstorms moving toward the Gulf of Mexico yesterday threatened to shut down undersea efforts to seal BP's ruptured well, interrupting work just as engineers get close to plugging the leak with mud and cement.

Retired U.S. Coast Guard admiral Thad Allen said a weather system brewing in the Carribean could force crews to abandon their watch over the experimental cap that's been bottling oil below the surface of the water for nearly a week.

Scientists have been scrutinizing underwater cameras and data for days, trying to determine if the cap is displacing pressure and causing leaks underground. If storms keep them from seeing the cap and getting those readings — for up to four days, Allen said — BP could reopen the well to avoid missing signs it is buckling.

"This is necessarily going to be a judgment call," said Allen, the federal government's point man on the spill who will make the ultimate decision.

Forecasters say the storm system likely will move into the Gulf of Mexico over the weekend, although it appears to be weakening. Right now, it has a 60 per cent chance of becoming a tropical depression or storm within the next 48 hours.

Allen said BP and government scientists were meeting to discuss whether the cap could be monitored from the shore.

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Coat hangers. Art



▶ Artist David Mach with his sculpture depicting the Crucifixion.

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Art celebrates the Bible

A sculpture, which has been made from coat hangers, was displayed in Parliament Square, outside St. Giles Cathedral, yesterday in Edinburgh, Scotland. The piece was created as part of a project to celebrate the 400th anniversary of the King James Bible in 2011.

Romanian dictator's grave exhumed

The mystery of where former Romanian dictator Nicolae Ceausescu and his wife, Elena, were buried moved closer to resolution yesterday after forensic scientists dug up their official graves in a hunt for DNA.

Many Romanians have doubted for years that the Ceausescus were really buried in the Ghencea military cemetery in west Bucharest. Still, they were shocked by the unannounced early morning exhumation, part of a five-year lawsuit.

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News in brief

Sudan leader risks arrest

AFRICA. Sudan's president, who faces charges of genocide and crimes against humanity, travelled to neighbouring Chad yesterday — the first time he has risked arrest by travelling to a member state of the International Criminal Court.

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Ceausescu ruled Romania for 25 years with an iron fist before being ousted and executed during the 1989 anti-communist revolt in which more than 1,000 people were killed.



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▶ A black bear with its head stuck in a plastic jar was photographed on the deck of Rob Paterson's home Tuesday.

Elusive bear has jar stuck on head

◗ Concern for animal's health ◗ Officials in northwestern Ontario have set traps without success

A hungry bear with a plastic jar stuck on its head has wildlife officials in northwestern Ontario scrambling to trap the elusive animal, and conservationists crying foul over recycling habits.

Concerns that it's the same bear spotted northeast of Thunder Bay two weeks ago, in the same predicament, has provincial Ministry of Natural Resources officers fearing for its health.

Dehydration is chief among their concerns.

"We know he's weak, he looks very emaciated. He's obviously lost some weight," Ross Johnston, a conservation officer with the ministry, said yesterday.

"It may just be the condensation from his breath inside this container that he's surviving from."

The 30-kilogram bear has evaded ministry officers and provincial police, who have spent two days trying to catch or tranquilize it.

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Somali pirates may have new territory

Squeezed out of Gulf of Aden, pirates could be shifting ops to the Red Sea where navy can't stop them

The commander of NATO's counter-piracy flotilla said yesterday that Somali pirates squeezed by a multinational armada in the Gulf of Aden may be shifting some operations to the southern Red Sea where naval forces lack clear authority to stop them.

In addition to recent attacks in the area, Commodore Michiel Hijmans said there have been "a lot of false alarms" where mariners believed pirates were pursuing them, including occasions where shots were fired.

"We are very cautious and we're worried that there might be more attacks in that area," Hijmans said aboard a Dutch frigate after it anchored in Dubai.

"We are very cautious and we're worried that there might be more attacks in that area."
COMMODORE MICHIEL HIJMANS

Foreign navies have UN Security Council approval to hunt pirates in Somalia's territorial waters with advance notice using "all necessary means." But the Red Sea lies beyond that area of jurisdiction.

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China. Floods


▶ A man struggles to make his way through a flooded field yesterday in Tieling County in north China's Liaoning Province.

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Worst is still to come

More than 1,000 people have died or disappeared in severe flooding in China so far this year, and the heaviest rains are still to come, a senior official warned yesterday.

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Marvel on Main Street

Law gives U.S. consumers new protection ◗ Republicans painted bill as burden on small banks

U.S. President Barack Obama yesterday signed into law the most sweeping reform of financial regulations since the Great Depression.

The package aims to protect consumers and ensure economic stability from Main Street to Wall Street.

The law, which was mainly pushed through by Democrats, comes almost two years after the infamous financial meltdown in 2008 in the United States that was felt around the globe.

Obama described them all as commonsense reforms that will help people in their daily life — signing contracts, understanding fees, understanding risks.

Obama called the reforms "the strongest consumer protections in history.

He added, after a burst of applause: "Because of this law, the American people will never again be asked to foot the bill for Wall Street's mistakes."

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New powers

The legislation passed yesterday:

- Gives the government new powers to break up companies that threaten the economy
- Creates a new agency to guard consumers in their financial transactions
- Puts more light on the financial markets that escaped the oversight of regulators.

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▶ U.S. President Barack Obama applauds as the financial reform bill is signed into law.

News in brief

Business icon Jack Irving dies at 78

SAINT JOHN, N.B. New Brunswick business magnate John E. (Jack) Irving, who headed several construction and engineering companies in the province, has died at 78 after a brief illness.

Irving, the son of Irving Oil founder K.C. Irving, died yesterday in Saint John.

In 1952, he joined his family's businesses where he worked alongside his brother Arthur at Irving Oil.

He began managing construction and engineering projects, including retail outlets, bulk plants, and other major infrastructure.

In 2008, he became a member of the Order of Canada and earned various other accolades for his lengthy business career.

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Encana sees a spending spree

CALGARY. Encana Corp. is boosting capital spending by half a billion dollars this year and says it expects to produce substantially more natural gas in 2010 than previously anticipated.

"Our production is ahead of target and we are gaining ground on costs through continual optimization programs that help us pursue our cornerstone goal of being the industry's lowest-cost producer," chief executive officer Randy Eresman said yesterday.

Encana forecasts it will produce nearly 3.7 billion cubic feet of natural gas per day in 2010 — an increase of 65 million cubic feet.

But it said foreign exchange and hedging losses dragged it to a $505-million net loss in the second quarter, compared with a profit of $92 million in the same 2009 period.

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ExxonMobil boss to move

ST. JOHN'S, N.L. The new president of ExxonMobil Canada will be setting up shop in Newfoundland and Labrador instead of Nova Scotia.

Meg O'Neill will move operations from Halifax to St. John's.

O'Neill has experience in deepwater drilling, having worked with the company in New Orleans.

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Will firm spring a CSeries surprise?

Time is running out, but aerospace industry observers suspect Bombardier may close the Farnborough Airshow with a CSeries order surprise.

"If nothing is announced by tomorrow (Thursday) morning I would think that there's not going to be an order," said Cameron Doerksen of Versant Partners.

Bombardier, however, has hinted that a deal could still emerge.

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DROP YOUR MOM'S NAME AND GET A JOB

He says ...

JOHN MAZEROLLE



Unemployment has been one of my most humbling experiences, up there with divorce, nearly dying, and contemplating Conrad Black's ego.

I was recently jobless for three months, the longest stretch of my life. It was demoralizing. Not only was I unemployed, I was bad at being unemployed.

If you have ever used the Canada Job Bank, you know there are no jobs in this country unless you are a tradesman, a dental assistant, or a line cook. (Raise your children accordingly.)

So I had to look on foot instead. The manila envelope holding my resumés felt like a badge of shame, an adult dunce cap or a modern-day Scarlet Letter. People could tell I was behind on my debt payments, I was sure of it.

The first place I tried in person was a hospital, and the first words out of my mouth were — this is true — "I'm on the street looking for work. Can you help me?"

They seemed less than intrigued.

Understand that I come from New Brunswick, where job searches involve walking into places and saying, "I'd like to work here." Employers respond with hardball questions such as, "Your mom's name is Margie, right?" (Don't tell anyone, but I had my answer prepped for that one and always got it right.)

"Now I live in Toronto, where most of the interviews involve a tired-looking recruiter sitting next to a stack of resumés the size of the late Gary Coleman and hitting me with a long string of hypothetical and ethical questions."

Now I live in Toronto, where most of the interviews involve a tired-looking recruiter sitting next to a stack of resumés the size of the late Gary Coleman and hitting me with a long string of hypothetical and ethical questions. For example: "If you were on shift and your supervisor was asleep, but he had told you specifically not to wake him, and the supervisor was YOUR DAD, what would you do?"

"My dad's name is Bob," I'd reply. "Do you know him?"

After a couple months of this I started to wear down. But then I broke through and found a great job.

If you look at it one way, I stuck with it even through the dark times and proved to myself I can do whatever I set my mind to.

In another, more accurate way, I got a job without an interview and at a place where my boss knows my mom. Remember: If you're looking for work, her name is Margie.

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MICHAEL DE ADDER



$2,500 spending spree

Letters & Tweets

We asked: You win $2,500. How would you spend it?

CALGARY. If I won $2,500 I would spend it by taking my kids to the zoo, going to the Calgary Tower and busing it and C-Training it to all the sites I can show my kids. I would also get a camera to show everyone the good times my kids and I had going around town.
CLAUDETTE GRAHAM

CALGARY. If I won $2,500, I would put that money in my daughter's RESP account so it could be used towards her education when she grows up.
SHELDON REGO

Money makes the world go around



CALGARY. If I won $2,500 I would buy a new computer. Our desktop computer died in the middle of June and 10 days later my son's laptop died, so we have been without a computer since then.

You kind of get used to it, however, and as school approaches I know the kids will need a computer.
ELAINE BUHLER

TORONTO. If I won $2,500 I would give $2,000 to my mom in Jamaica to help with her mortgage payments, even though I don't have a job here in Canada and also have my three kids to look after with outstanding bills to pay.

I just know my mom needs it more.
BEVERLEY SMITH-JERVIS

What song is the soundtrack of your summer?

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Metro Minute at Enmax Main Stage

Head out to Prince's Island Park — if even for a minute — to check out one of tonight's performances on the Enmax Main Stage.

Kicking off the evening is the eight-person pop collective from Regina, Library Voice. Playing at 5:30 p.m., the band will entertain you with the best of the '60s, '70s, and '80s via circuit-bent electronics, vintage organs, accordian, and saxophone.

Following is Natacha Atlas at 6:25 p.m., Stars at 7:25 p.m., and the Avett Brothers at 8:50 p.m.

The 31st annual festival runs until Sunday and features more than 68 artists from 14 countries across six stages in the park.
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▶ Library Voice will kick off tonight's performances.



▶ Sandy (Olivia Newton-John) dances with Danny (John Travolta) in a still from the classic musical Grease, which is coming out in sing-a-long version

Interactive films let audiences act out

Participatory film has a long history in independent theatres across the country New sing-a-long version of Grease lets fans belt out hits

ADAM NAYMAN
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When the special sing-a-long version of Grease opens this Friday in select markets, it'll give fans of the super-cheesy 1978 musical a chance to dress up as their favourite characters and belt out the hits with the help of onscreen subtitles.

But while the official Grease Sing-A-Long may be having its Canadian premiere, participatory films are hardly a new phenomenon. Such screenings are business as usual at a number of independent theatres across the country.

Ottawa's 78-year-old Mayfair Theatre is one example of a cinema that actively promotes audience interaction with certain titles.

"We encourage people to leave their cellphones on, stop sitting on their hands and go a little bit nuts" says Lee Demarbre, a well-known indie filmmaker (Jesus Christ Vampire Hunter) who also works as one of the Mayfair's programmers. "The idea of getting together in a big group and watching something that you love is very appealing to our fans."

"Even if it's a bad, scratchy print. It's a lot of fun"
LEE DEMARBRE

The audience talk-back phenomenon probably began with 1975's The Rocky Horror Picture Show, a film explicitly designed to cultivate a cult following. Alex Chisholm, who works for the Rio Theatre in Vancouver acknowledges that Rocky is a staple but also tries to mix things up a little bit. The theatre's recent midnight-movie selections include the so-bad-it's-good melodrama The Room and also The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly — a '60s Western widely considered to be a true classic.

"Some of these films aren't what you'd call traditionally 'call-and-response'-type titles," he says. "We like trying things out in that Roman Coliseum atmosphere. We give out a discount for best costume, so for (The Good, The Bad and the Ugly) we had 250 cowboys wandering around, cat-calling Clint (Eastwood). "

expanding demand

- The Grease Sing-A-Long has been marketed extensively using social media: fans across North America vote online to bring the film to their city.
- Paramount previously used this strategy to open the 2009 horror film Paranormal Activity. They issued an open challenge: if the film received one million votes on eventful.com it would get a nationwide release. It did, and ended up grossing more than $100 million worldwide, making it the biggest indie-horror hit since The Blair Witch Project.

Coco follows father's footsteps

ANNELI WIKSTRÖM
METRO WORLD NEWS

She is Sting's daughter and on the brink of becoming a fashion icon. But Coco Sumner doesn't want to talk about either of these subjects. And I know this because her PR has warned me not to broach either subject.

Coco Sumner has just turned 20-years-old and her career is taking off. In October her debut album The Constant is released. She's had the help of Swedish music producer Klas Åhlund who has previously worked with Madonna, Britney Spears and Robyn. Robyn is also featured on Coco's single Caesar.

"I recorded the album in Stockholm and there will definitely be more collaborations with Klas Åhlund," she tells Metro.

Sumner's summer has been filled with festival gigs and a U.K. tour, soon she'll have a vacation in Stockholm. In August she'll play the Way-Out West festival in Gothenburg.

"People are skeptical of me and my music because I have a famous father. And that's why it's important for me that I get to talk about myself in interviews," Sumner explains.

I ask if it's more difficult to be taken seriously because of her famous father. "Yes, I believe so. It's a challenge to get people to listen to my music because it's me and not because where I come from."

When the album is released in October Sumner will get the chance to show what she can do. "It feels really exciting. And I'm a little nervous about how it will be received. But I think it will be fine."

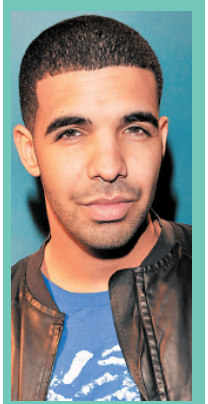
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▶ Coco Sumner

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News in brief



Drake's not going to let his Canadian citizenship keep him out of the White House. The Toronto rapper and former Degrassi star says he'd be interested in returning to his acting roots to portray U.S. President Barack Obama in a future biopic.
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Celebrity crush: When Taylor Lautner comes to town, teenage hearts flutter

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Crow blends soul, country



Sheryl Crow
Album: 100 Miles from Memphis
Label: A&M/Universal
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Sheryl Crow has covered a lot of ground in her nearly two decades of making music, but she's yet to tackle soul in a serious way.

Her latest attempts to do that, evoking Al Green style sounds complete with wild horns and booming choirs. She's not the new Sharon Jones though — this is soul done Crow's way. While the songs definitely sound soulful, they're performed through the eyes of pop and country star.

Opener Our Love is Fading sees the Missouri-born songstress wail in a way she hasn't done before, but you can still hear the twang in her voice. That's not a bad thing, it would have been silly if she just copied R&B straight up — and it works for the most part. Summer Day is pleasantly groovy with '60s organs, a funky riffs and catchy pop hook for the chorus. Eye to Eye is the most interesting track here, it's actually a reggae number, which sounds strange on a first listen, but the laid back chorus is grower. It's not Crow's best record, but, as always with her, you're getting a reliable artist who's not afraid to mix things up now and again.

Outstanding track: Summer Day

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Prince
Album: 20Ten
Label: NPG
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Prince has never been just another cog in the music machine. From his massive hits, to changing his name to a symbol, to embracing the Internet, then calling it dead and finally releasing his latest record in U.K.'s Daily Mail, you never know what he'll do next. So it's disappointing that 20Ten doesn't push any boundaries. The music is very '80s — there's the peppy TV show theme song sounding Compassion, a run of the mill R&B track in Future Soul Song and the list goes.

Outstanding track: Compassion

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Kim Beggs
Album: Blue Bones
Label: Black Hen
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If Kim Beggs was making music when Joni Mitchell and Neil Young were getting their starts, this Yukon-based singer would be huge. Instead she's part of an underappreciated group of folk musicians. Hopefully that will change with this record, which is loaded with lyrics about loss and are backed by smooth slide guitars, delicate acoustics and rich harmonies.

Outstanding track: Maiden Heart

BRYAN BORZYKOWSKI



Eamon McGrath
Album: Peace Maker
Label: White Whale Records
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Power punk folk from the prairies played with the ragged passion of early Crazy Horse. When Edmonton street poet Eamon McGrath shifts into full gear he can sound like Tom Waits swallowing broken glass. But there are also tender moments like acoustic track Ice Breaker that melt your soul. This is McGrath's second indie disc and it shows a prolific songwriting talent bursting with a dark creative force.

Outstanding track: Cut Knife City Blues

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▶Scott Pilgrim vs. the World starring Michael Cera will be featured at this year's Comic-Con.

More than meets the eye at Comic-Con

- Not just comics at world's largest convention
- Marvel Comic with the most adaptations



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Hollywood is set to descend once again on San Diego for Comic-Con, an annual five-day event that's become the de facto epicenter for sneak previews of upcoming movies and TV shows, whether they have anything to do with comic books or not.

Several upcoming comic book adaptations are fighting it out for fanboy attention, including next year's Green Lantern with Ryan Reynolds as the famous DC Comics hero. Metro will be in San Diego all week to report on the announcements, parties and general insanity that is Comic-Con.

Marvel Comics has the most movie adaptations presenting at the convention, with star-studded panels packed for Thor and Captain America, which are currently in production.

Fans also expect to hear updates on the Avengers, the planned film to unite those two characters with Iron Man, the Hulk and others.

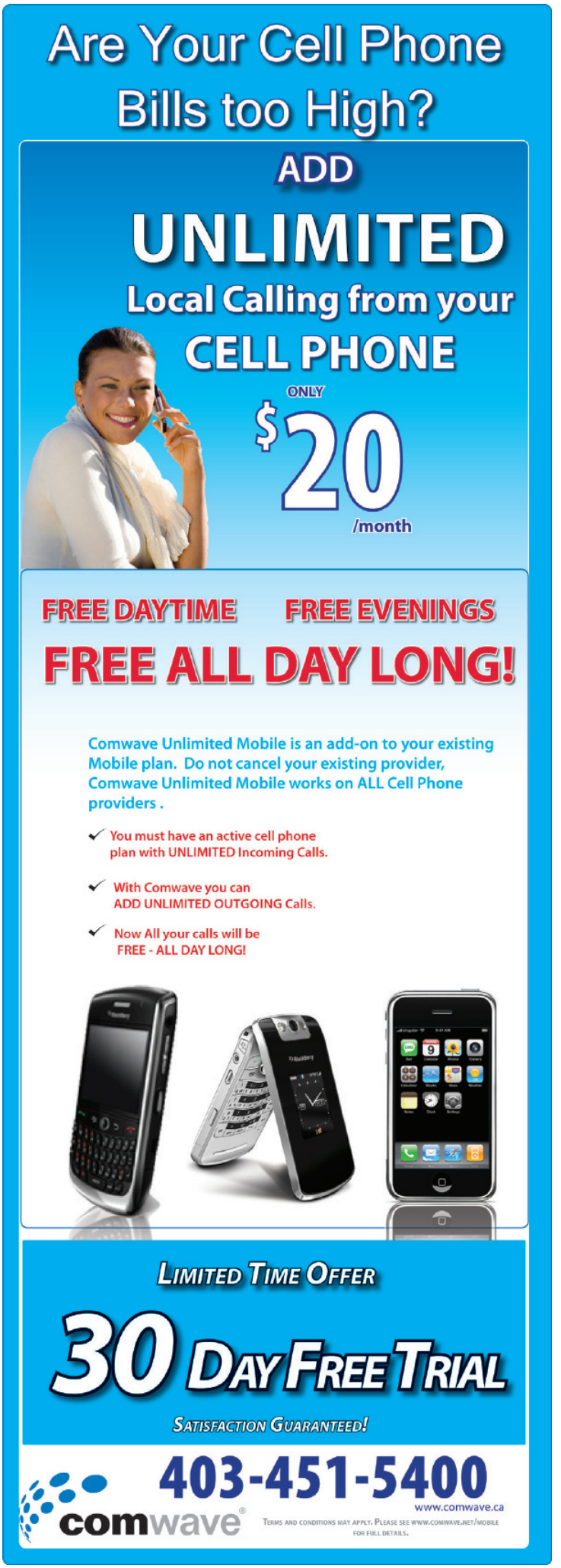
Though Robert Downey Jr. is set to reprise his Iron Man role in the film, Marvel had a very public falling out earlier this month with Edward Norton, who will not return as the Hulk for the team-up film. Insiders predict Marvel will use Comic-Con as an opportunity to announce who will take on the part next.

At least one movie being presented at the convention has a direct link to the event: Shaun of the Dead star Simon Pegg will present details about Paul, a film about two geeks who meet an alien on their way to Comic-Con.

A notable absence will be anything related to the Twilight.

Some films without a comic book connection will be celebrating at the event, including Disney's Tron: Legacy.





LiLo has no quick comeback after jail

Short stay in slammer, but actress required to undergo three months of inpatient rehab

AP PHOTO



Lindsay Lohan's time in jail will be short, but her time away from the public eye will be much longer.

Sheriff's officials say the actress will spend only about two weeks of a 90-day sentence in jail. But her brief time in an isolation cell that has housed other celebrities such as Paris Hilton and Michelle Rodriguez is just one element of her sentence.

Once Lohan is released in August, she is required to report to probation officials within a day. She has also been ordered to spend three months at an inpatient rehab.

That portion of her sentence won't be trimmed like her jail stint by credits for good behaviour.

``It's a straight 90 days,'' prosecutor Danette Meyers said yesterday.

The result is that the ``Mean Girls'' and ``Georgia Rules'' star will be unavailable until late this year to start filming her portrayal of porn actress Linda Lovelace in a biopic. She will be equally unavailable to promote her role as a gun-toting nun in Robert Rodriguez's ``Machete,'' which marks her return to the big screen in September.

It amounts to lost time for the once-promising actress, whose movements have been restricted since she missed a court date in May. It remains to be seen whether Lohan can replicate a post-jail rebound similar to Michelle Rodriguez, who had a prominent role in last year's blockbuster ``Avatar'' and appears in ``Machete.''

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He's hot and a humanitarian, Clooney may be perfect man

George Clooney will be recognized for his humanitarian efforts at the Emmy Awards.

The Academy of Television Arts and Sciences will present the 49-year-old actor with its Bob Hope Humanitarian Award at the ceremony next month.

Clooney is being honoured for the Hope for Haiti U.S. TV special, which is nominated for an Emmy award, and his efforts to raise funds for victims of Hurricane Katrina and raise awareness about genocide in Darfur.

John Shaffner, chairman and chief executive of the TV academy, said Clooney was "an obvious choice" for the award because he used the power of television to move people to act.

Clooney is the fourth recipient of the honour and will receive the award Aug. 29.

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Hurray, Goslins' kids can work ... oh, wait

Pennsylvania's labour department is defending its decision to issue work permits to Kate Gosselin's sextuplets for the reality show Kate Plus 8.

A statement from the Department of Labor & Industry says the children are not being "unlawfully exploited" by the filming at their home in Wernersville.

Labour officials said yesterday the permits protect the children from working too many hours and ensure they receive earnings from the TLC show.

Murt maintains the permits are illegal. He says the labour department must seek a ruling from the attorney general.

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Talking points

A tea by any other name

TASTE OF GAGA? Tea company Twinings is determined to get into business with Lady Gaga and have even started working on a special blend of tea inspired by the singer, according to the Sun. "Her management have received a load of offers from major tea companies, but Twinings are the frontrunners," a source says. "They want to launch a new tea with her face on it. Names like the Taste Of Gaga are being batted about. The idea is to have tasting sessions in which she would participate." Gaga is reportedly a huge fan of the hot beverage, having a cup with every performance.

Hey, when you're hot ...

NO SURPRISE Megan Fox isn't having trouble finding work after her falling out with Transformers director Michael Bay. She's reportedly close to closing a deal to appear in Eminem's new video for the song Love the Way You Lie, which also features Rihanna, according to E! News.

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Megan Fox

Celebrity tweets



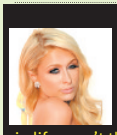
Justin Bieber [@justin bieber] alot of u keep saying i dont do flirty tweets anymore



Lance Bass [@lance bass] I mean, I know Mel Gibson has issues - but radar online makes me sick the way they are exploiting those tapes. It's none our business!



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Paris Hilton [@Paris Hilton] The best things in life aren't things.

Strong women freak him out

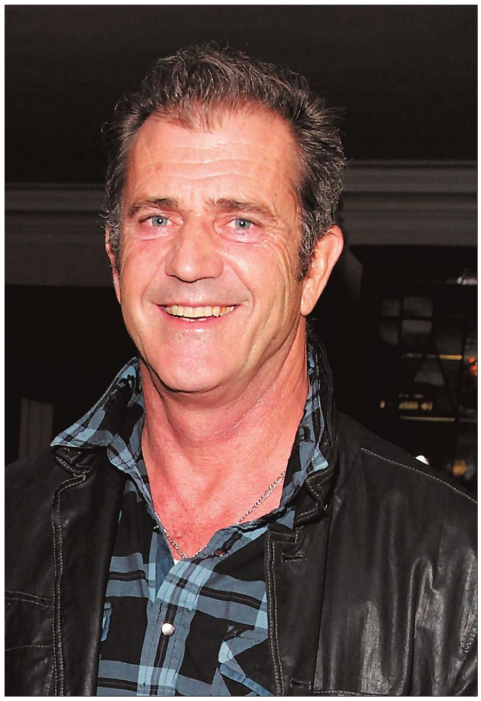
Robert Pattinson admits he's intimidated by Twilight co-star and rumored girlfriend Kristen Stewart, which can make for an awkward workplace, he says.

"Kristen is always really good but also clearly speaks her mind. That can be a bit uncomfortable. After we shoot a scene she sometimes looks at the director and says, 'Let's do that again,'" he says, according to Hollyscoop.

"If I did that she would probably kill me! She would probably say something like, 'Shut up! The scene was perfect!'"

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Gibson claims extortion

Detectives looking into academy award winner's allegation against ex

Sheriff's detectives in Los Angeles are checking extortion allegations against Mel Gibson's ex-girlfriend.

Sheriff's spokesman Steve Whitmore says the agency is looking into whether Russian singer Oksana Grigorieva may have tried to extort the Academy Award-winner.

He declined to offer any other details on the inquiry.

Detectives earlier this month interviewed Grigorieva after she claimed Gibson abused her during an incident in January.

A spokesman for Grigorieva declined comment Wednesday.

Gibson and Grigorieva are locked in a bitter custody dispute over their infant daughter.

No arrests have been made, and neither has been charged with any crimes.

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Fear not, Swift releasing third album this fall

Taylor Swift will release her third album, Speak Now, worldwide on Oct. 25.

She announced it to her fans yesterday through a live web chat.

It's been two years since Swift released her sophomore album Fearless. She says, "You've got to give yourself a little bit of time to live a lot of things so you can write about a lot of things.''

Swift explains that the title, Speak Now, is the theme, and that "track by track, each song is a different confession to a different person.

She wrote all 14 tracks herself. The first single, Mine, will be released Aug. 16. Swift also plans to launch a world tour following the release.

Fearless was the top-selling album of 2009 and earned Swift every major award, including four Grammys.

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Stalker hunting Jen

Jennifer Aniston is the latest Hollywood star to have to deal with a stalker. Jason Peyton, an " obsessed, mentally ill and delusional stalker with a history of violence and criminal stalking," was found prowling near Aniston's home with a sharp object, a bag, an a roll of duct tape, according to TMZ.

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More Palin drama

When Levi Johnston and Bristol Palin tie the knot, there may be one notable absence: The mother of the bride. Sarah Palin is refusing to attend the planned celebration, according to Popeater. "Everyone would kill to get an invite … It's just too bad that her mother has refused to attend. Although I can't say I blame her after everything that boy has put her through," a source says.

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Bieb still their tween hearts

Four-time NBA champion Shaquille O'Neal has found a worthy new adversary: Sixteen-year-old Canadian pop singer Justin Bieber. The teen idol will appear in the next season of Shaq Vs, which will debut Aug. 3 on CTV. The reality show features the seven-foot-one, 325-pound O'Neal taking on various celebrities and athletes at their chosen professions. O'Neal will also take on comedians Penn and Teller, boxer Shane Mosley and NASCAR driver Dale Earnhardt Jr.

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How to wear beige

Nude, beige, taupe, mushroom, tan, whatever you want to call it, there's no escaping the sensible colour for summer and fall. Here's how to give the potentially boring trend some oomph.



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CATWALKING



Chloe autumn/winter 2010.

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Play with tonality

It's a colour that brings to mind 1980s rayon dresses found in thrift stores and your mom's old 1980s power suits.

Increase the youth factor by working in other neutral tones like cream and blush (another key colour of the season) the way Stella McCartney did for her spring/summer '10 collection.

It gives the beige trend a hint of the unexpected.

Just be very careful in your choice of colors. Pick the wrong palette for your skin tone and you'll looked washed out or ashy.

Fully commit to it

Head-to-toe beige can look perfectly chic in a 1970s kind of way. The key to pulling the full-on tan look off is the silhouette. Go for a slightly golden version of the color in a loose, easy silhouette like the Chloé look pictured. Let your bag and shoes give the outfit a pop of colour.

Limit it to your accessories

If the colour doesn't work with your complexion, don't force it. Experiment with the trend through accessories instead, using a great beige handbag or shoe to tone down a vibrant primary coloured dress, blouse or trouser.

News in brief



This summer, Birkenstock sandals are back with a vengeance. And they're not just for the older gent, as younger men appear to be proudly sporting them the world over. Pictured: Birskenstock, $70, birkenstock.com.

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ScanLife

Find out how David Yurman took an unconventional route to jewelry world

Men's picks

Uniqlo Smooth Dry innerwear

We all know that the morning commute is simply not congenial to keeping your neatly pressed shirt looking fresh and sweat-patch free. And it's perhaps even less acceptable to roll into the office floundering in your own perspiration. So what's the answer? There is now a very affordable solution, in the form of Uniqlo's smooth dry v-neck or crew neck innerwear. These garments remove moisture and create a breathable layer for your skin, keeping you dry and sweat patch free.

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UNIQLO TEE
$8, uniqlo.com

From square to sensational

Now that the sun has returned – with a vengeance! – from a two-year hiatus, you can finally show off those sexy summer scarves Step up your warm-weather wardrobe with this guide on how to 'tie one on'!

Unlike their wintry counterparts, summer scarves are a lighter, brighter and more versatile accessory.

"You can do so much more with your summer scarf," says Holt Renfrew fashion buyer Shelly Wertheim. "There are so many different weights and fabrications."

Here are four ways to take your summer scarf from simply square to sensational.

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Colour Shock

Much like shoes and bags, scarves can give your look an unconventional pop of colour. By pairing your cute little sundress with a splash of bright pink, green, red, or even orange, you can make a bold statement without taking a huge fashion risk. Try playing bright colours off each other; mixing hues that would otherwise stay on opposite ends of the closet.

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Garden Party

Be the fairest flower in the garden by draping yourself in a long, sheer, chiffon scarf. Start by lightly bunching the material and throwing the scarf backward around your neck, so the ends fall down your back. Pull the ends forward over your shoulders so they drape down your chest. Then gently loosen the loop around your neck.

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Work & Play

Who says you need to remove your outerwear at the office? "The summer scarf is always more fashion over function," says Wertheim. "You wear your winter scarf to keep warm, and then take it off inside. But the summer scarf is really part of your wardrobe all day." Try wrapping a silk neckerchief in a thick loop around your neck a few times over, so that your neck fully swathed.

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Euro Chic

Look like you've been abruptly beamed in from the French Riviera by tying your scarf firmly around the neck. For added effect, nonchalantly toss one end behind your shoulder for that wind-whipped I'm-on-a-boat look, and maintain a perpetually startled expression as though you can't figure out how you suddenly ended up on the streets of Toronto.



A stylish breed



Here's some tips that will stylize your pet enough to be a perfect home accessory on their own

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It's often not easy incorporating doggy beds, fish tanks and gerbil cages into a well designed space. Only recently have manufactures started to realize that pet accessories that look good will fly off the shelves. Here are a few ideas that might just help make your pet your most stylish home accessory:

Home Sweet Home

Be creative with an outdoor house for your pet. A small-sized dog house can work purr-fectly for your cat; I like to bring the houses inside; a corner of the family room or on a landing is a great place for them to escape and can be much more charming than a cage. The DIY pet houses that you can paint yourself are so self-expressive; what a great way to blend the house into your home's decor!

Stylish Pets In Training

For young pets there is always the worry of messes and teaching them to stay in their crate at night. A smart decorator might suggest removing long drapes (cats love to climb and dogs like to lift a leg to these towers of fabric) and cover existing furnishings to keep dirt and hair off. Pets and children equal one thing in my decorating world: synthetic, easy-care fabrics and a good lint brush.

Your Silent Partner

I vaugely remember our family fish tank in the 1970's with the sunken ship, plastic looking plants and one or two lonely fishies swimming around. Tanks are now back in vogue; and used for more than just housing a goldfish. A stylish tank adds the trickle of water and can act as ambient lighting in your home. Display some trendy fresh bamboo or your favourite seaside shells if the fish relationship thing isn't working for you.

The pet questions

When considering a pet there are a few "decorator questions" to keep in mind; will the colour of Fifi match your fabulous interior? My cat is grey; guess what colour my new sofa is? Does the owner's jewelry need to match the Barney's collar? Yes, Channel and Prada do make pet collars! These are the most important things to keep in mind when adding a new pet to your home.

▶ Whether its a couch cover, an outdoor doghouse, a cute hamster cage, a fancy dog house or a stylish fish tank, animals and their things can add to your decor.

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▶ Some finicky cats may question you eclectic style, so it can be best to try and design your home around them — and don't forget to give them a home of their own as well (below).







Mounting your TV is a great little DIY reno

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▶ If you install a tilting or full-motion mount, the picture quality on you TV can look much better.

◗ HDTVs are a hot trend ◗ Here's how you can make them hotter

You just brought home the latest HDTV or 3-D TV, you've set it up and finally sat down in your new home theatre.

Beware — you might not be getting all that you paid for in an expensive display. And it has nothing to do with the TV itself; it's all on where you sit.

Recent studies have shown sitting as little as 10 degrees from the centre of the screen can seriously degrade the picture quality, especially with lesser-expensive LCD TVs. So if the TV is facing straight ahead and you're seated in a chair off to the right, the colours and crispness appear to fade.

Experts advise investing in a moveable wall mount that lets you position the TV toward your seat so you always have the best view.

There are many options of moveable wall mounts out there.

Full-motion mounts can extend, tilt and swivel the TV in all directions and are, by far, the most versatile mount option. With a full-motion mount, you could even place the TV inside a cabinet or in another room, then extend and swivel the display how you like it.

Tilting mounts can tilt up or down, allowing you to adjust the vertical angle of the TV—a great option if your TV is mounted high on the wall in front of a couch or recliner.

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The BottleHouse is dubiously located at the corner of Memorial Drive and 10th Street which has cursed other failed restaurants. But the owners are determined to turn the tide with satisfying pub fare, friendly service and a decent selection of beer.

A lunch special changes daily, along with a regular menu that offers something for everyone including sandwiches (clubhouse, turkey, steak, pulled pork), burgers, pasta, and fish and chips.

Mini bison burgers ($8.85) come on extremely fresh glossy buns, with a lip-smacking roasted red pepper mayo. Breaded with buttermilk, popcorn shrimp ($8.95) are hot and crispy to the last morsel.

The BottleHouse surprises with a fabulous salad ($11.95) of field greens with grilled Okanagan pear, candied walnuts, crumbled blue cheese and a perky raspberry vinaigrette.

Canadian microbreweries are a highlight of the beer menu, where prices — bottles average $4.75 and pints $6.75 — will entice you to stay past lunch time.

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Crunchy Tortilla Salad



▶ Crunchy Tortilla Salad

Yields: 8
Prep time: 20 min.
Cooking: 16 min.

Ingredients :

Top Sirloin Tostada
- 500 g (1 lb) beef top sirloin grilling steak, about 2.5 cm (1 inch) thick
- 8 whole-wheat flour tortillas, each about 18 cm (7-inch) in diameter
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) chopped red onion
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 500 ml (2 cups) each quartered mushrooms and grape tomatoes, halved
- 500 ml (2 cups) fresh or thawed corn kernels
- 250 ml (1 cup) shredded lettuce
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) minced fresh coriander or parsley

Preparation:

1. Oven toast tortillas. Bake in a 180 C (350 F) oven for 10 minutes or until crisp and lightly browned.
2. Pat steak dry; season with salt and pepper. Grill over medium-high, about 5 minutes per side for medium-rare.
4. Meanwhile, in a large skillet over medium-high, heat 15 ml (1 tbsp) of the oil. Add onion and garlic; cook until onion is softened, about 4 minutes. Add mushrooms. About 5 minutes. Reduce heat to medium; add tomatoes and corn.
5. Thinly slice steak; add to dressing along with mushroom mixture, lettuce and coriander, tossing gently to coat. Pile 125 ml (1/2 cup) of the beef mixture on each tortilla to serve.

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Kovalchuk left in limbo by NHL

Ilya Kovalchuk is no closer to figuring out his future than he was when NHL free agency opened three weeks ago.

Kovalchuk's landmark 17-year, $102-million US contract with the New Jersey Devils was rejected by the NHL, which ruled that the longest deal in league history violated its salary cap.

Where the high-scoring forward — the biggest prize on the free agent market —will land now is anyone's guess.

NHL deputy commissioner Bill Daly said in a statement yesterday the Devils, Kovalchuk and the players' association still have several options if they choose to restructure the deal.

Until then, Daly said "the player is not entitled to play under the contract."

"We are extremely disappointed that the NHL has decided to reject the contract of Ilya Kovalchuk," Devils president and general manager Lou Lamoriello said in a statement.

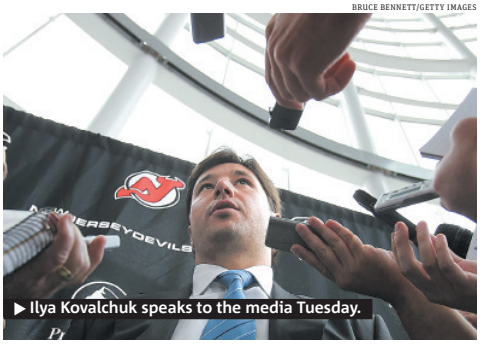
"The contract complies with the terms of the collective bargaining agreement."

"We will have no further comment until the process outlined in the CBA is complete."

Kovalchuk's agent, Jay Grossman, also said yesterday he wouldn't comment until the matter is resolved.

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▶ Ilya Kovalchuk speaks to the media Tuesday.

4 sports

Injury dogs Weir as Open kicks off

Golfer intends to play, despite tendinitis Skipped pro-am

It was probably the one time Mike Weir would rather have been talking about trying to end the country's long drought at the RBC Canadian Open.

Instead, the popular lefty from Bright's Grove, Ont., found himself discussing a bout of tendinitis in his right arm on the eve of the national championship.

Weir's pro-am round came to an abrupt yesterday when he walked off the course to receive treatment in the PGA Tour's fitness trailer.

Before leaving St. George's Golf and Country Club, he made it clear that he plans to return for his opening-round tee time this afternoon (TSN, 1 p.m. MT).

"I can't see myself withdrawing," said Weir.

"I mean, I'll play through it. I have next week off. Today in the pro-am it was bothering me on every shot I hit and I thought it was a good time to take it easy.

"(The physical therapist) said it was a good thing you did that. He said don't hit any more shots today, just keep doing the ice and Advil and rest it."

The nagging injury flared up during last week's British Open and puts another wrinkle into Weir's attempt to become the first Canadian to win at home since Pat Fletcher in 1954.

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Eleven of the top 30 in the PGA Tour's FedExCup standings have entered, including Paul Casey, Retief Goosen, Tim Clark, Camilo Villegas, Hunter Mahan and Luke Donald.

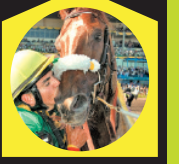
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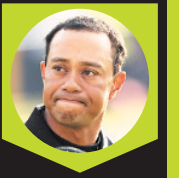


▶ Mike Weir winces during yesterday's pro-am.

Up and down

Big Red Mike
The Queen's Plate champion was named the 6/5 early favourite for the $500,000 Prince of Wales Stakes Sunday in Fort Erie, Ont.





Tiger Woods
The golfer's estimated endorsements for 2010 are worth $22 million US less than last year, according to Sports Illustrated's annual analysis.



CFL Extra Points

DAN TOTH

RAMBO MAY FINALLY RETURN

Receiver looks set to return from injury, while Esks' Richie Hall's head may be first to roll this season

Hall's underachieving Eskimos are floundering through the early part of the year and the pressure is already mounting to make changes.

The 0-3 Eskies have yet to score a point in the fourth quarter through three games, have been outscored 29-0 in the last 15 minutes, and last week failed to hang onto a seven-point fourth-quarter lead against Saskatchewan. The 1965 season was the last time the Esks started a campaign 0-4.

The Esks, who also face the added pressure of hosting this year's Grey Cup game, face the Bombers Saturday.

TIME FOR SOME ACTION?:

The Calgary receiving corps should profit from the possible return of Ken-Yon Rambo Saturday when the Stampeders host the Saskatchewan Roughriders. The CFL's leading receiver in 2008 appears set to return from a serious knee injury suffered early last season.

ARGOS FLYING HIGH:

The Toronto Argos are breathing rarified air early in the 2010 campaign. For the first time since 2007, the Argos are in first place in the CFL East (tied with Montreal), and are converting some skeptics who wondered aloud if first-year CFL quarterback Cleo Lemon had the tools to win in Canada.

KICKING AROUND:

There are no sure things in the CFL but Ticats placekicker Sandro DeAngelis used to be as close as you could get to perfection. The most accurate kicker in CFL history through five seasons in Calgary, DeAngelis missed both his field goal attempts last week and is just 4-of-8 this season. DeAngelis signed as a free agent but now you have to wonder if the tricky winds of Ivor Wynne Stadium have gotten into his head.

PIERCE INJURED:

Winnipeg Blue Bombers starting quarterback Buck Pierce will miss Saturday's game against the Edmonton Eskimos with a sprained right knee. With the oft-injured Pierce (he had been knocked out of seven of his previous 23 games) on the sidelines, Bombers backup Steven Jyles will guide the offence.

Man U still worth most

For all the turmoil and talk of debt, Manchester United is still the most valuable franchise in all of sports.

Forbes released its list of the world's most valuable teams yesterday, with the English Premier League club leading the way at $1.84 billion US.

The top American franchise, the Dallas Cowboys, was second at $1.65 billion. The New York Yankees were third at $1.6 billion.

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▶ Brewer Rickie Weeks plows into Ryan Doumit while scoring yesterday.

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Rookie helps Pirates romp over Brewers

Pedro Alvarez had two home runs for the second consecutive game and the Pittsburgh Pirates beat the Milwaukee Brewers 15-3 last night. The Pirates' prized rookie hit a two-run homer to centre in the fifth and a solo shot off the right-field pole in the eighth. Delwyn Young had a home run and a career-high five RBIs to help Pittsburgh win for the fourth time in five games.

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Open coming to city?

Golf Canada is "aggressively" seeking a venue in Calgary that could handle the RBC Canadian Open.

One of the main challenges with the city is finding a championship-level course that measures around 7,800 yards because the ball carries roughly 10 per cent farther at that elevation.

"Calgary is a city that we'd love to be in theoretically," said Scott Simmons, the executive director of Golf Canada. "If there was a course there that could handle the Open, (we'd go)."

Veteran PGA Tour player Stephen Ames, who lives in Calgary, doesn't believe such a facility currently exists.

"There isn't a current one right now — we've looked," said Ames. "A lot of golf courses have come up and asked about hosting it and we looked at them and asked, 'Yeah, are you willing to add about 1,000 yards to your golf course?'

"That means cutting trees down, making new tee boxes. They're not willing to do that."

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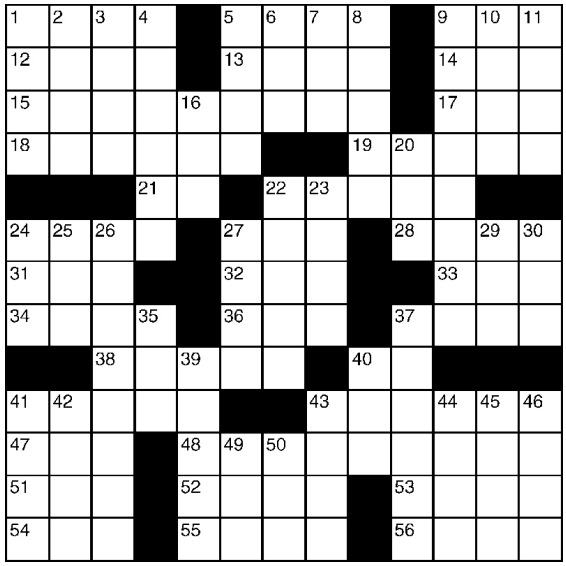
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5 After-dinner remark?
9 Moment
12 Black shade
13 Vicinity
14 Painter's medium
15 Data-storage device
17 To and —
18 Goya, for one
19 Performed
21 Indefinite article
22 Paycheck extra
24 Final
27 Storefront sign abbr.
28 Nonsense
31 Altar affirmative
32 Conger, e.g.
33 Gorilla
34 Couch
36 "7 Faces of Dr. —"
37 Fix, in a sense
38 Afternoon hour
40 Roman Dalmatian count?
41 Diamond side
43 Power problem
47 Past
48 Toil
51 Scoundrel
52 "Zounds!"
53 Abrades
54 Golf gadget
55 Umps
56 Eyelid woe

Down
1 Rue the run
2 Castle protector
3 "Walking in Memphis" singer Cohn
4 Hackneyed
5 Roseanne of sitcom fame
6 Mentalist Geller
7 Gun the engine
8 Hymn
9 Flattery
10 Green land
11 Lummox
16 Lair
20 Young Scout
22 Silver-scaled fish
23 Scandinavian city
24 Fleur-de- —
25 Big bother
26 Less explicit than it could be
27 Aid
29 Resort
30 Attention-getter
35 Shock and —
37 Raga musicmakers
39 Something else
40 — -de-sac
41 Datum
42 Malaria symptom
43 Probability
44 Touch
45 Pass
46 Gaelic
49 Census stat
50 U.K. fliers



▶ Yesterday's answer

K	E	L	P	■	M	A	C	■	O	M	A	N
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■	■	O	D	O	R	■	R	A	P	■	■	■
I	N	F	U	S	E	■	A	L	L	U	D	E
R	O	T	C	■	P	O	P	M	U	S	I	C
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Sudoku

	6	2				1		
			8	2				3
9					1			4
		9	1		6		5	
	2			8			3	
	4		2		7	6		
1			3					2
8				5	2			
		7				5	9	

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ▶

3	5	1	2	7	6	4	9	8
4	8	7	1	3	9	5	6	2
6	9	2	8	4	5	7	1	3
5	6	4	3	9	1	8	2	7
7	2	9	6	8	4	3	5	1
8	1	3	5	2	7	9	4	6
9	3	8	4	1	2	6	7	5
1	7	5	9	6	8	2	3	4

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ANGELA

MIMI! Finding you was the best thing that has ever happened. Be mine forever!
XIAO WEIWEI

Sebastian, After much philosophizing, I believe that the day we are separated will be my apocalypse. So I'll stand by you and love you always,
KEIDI

A look at the weather

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Today's horoscope

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♈ Aries March 21-April 19 One of the best times of the year begins for you today as the Sun moves into Leo and no matter how depressed you may have been feeling of late you will cheer up considerably.

♉ Taurus April 20-May 21 Go out of your way over the next 24 hours to remind loved ones how much they mean to you. Tell them loud and tell them often.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 Put your worries behind you and start having fun. Forget about everything that does not bring a smile to your face.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 The simple fact is you have been spending far more than you can afford. Time to cut back a bit.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 A new solar year begins for you today and there is no reason why it should not be the best one ever.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 The next few weeks may not be easy but there is no reason why they should be difficult either. Keep reminding yourself how much you have to be thankful for and keep your eye on your ultimate goal. It's not so far away.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 Do you need a rest? You certainly deserve one. No one will complain if you ease off the pace today, and if you get together with some of your laidback friends you'll have a great day together doing next to nothing.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 As the Sun crosses the midheaven angle of your chart today you are sure to be put to the test in some way, but your Scorpio self-belief will see you through no matter how stiff the challenge.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 It's time to expand your horizons and find ways to get more out of life. That's not, however, an invitation to be reckless.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 You may not want others to know about your financial needs but if you don't open your mouth they won't be able to help you.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 The Sun moves into your opposite sign of Leo today, so partnership matters will be of the utmost importance. It may be tempting to make snap judgments about people but do you really know what motivates them?

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20 You would be wise to make changes to your schedule today, changes that reflect the fact that you are feeling a bit run down physically and mentally. You have pushed yourself hard these past few weeks, so give yourself a break.
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- Denise B., Calgary

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- Kenneth R., Edmonton

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- Russ C., Calgary

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- Beth S., Calgary

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- Kathy L., Calgary

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